

Informational Notes for First Responders and Officials

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\$28.7 Million in Homeland Security Grants Will Be Released to Locals Governments

County and local governments, law enforcement agencies, fire departments, emergency medical services organizations and Citizen Corps Councils will receive approximately \$28.7 Million in Homeland Security Funds. Homeland Security funds will be released to 410 sub-grantees. Sub-grantees will be notified by certified mail and they will be identified on the SEMA homepage Terrorism link by August 31. The SEMA homepage is www.sema.dps.mo.gov then click on the homeland security link.

- \$4 Million has been awarded to sustain Missouri's 28 Homeland Security Response Teams.
- \$9.4 Million has been awarded to 193 grantees in the County/City Program. This includes every Missouri County and every city with a population of over 3,000. (Note: St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County, Franklin County, Jefferson County, Kansas City, Jackson County, Cass County, Clay County and Platte County are participating in the Urban Area Security Initiative grant and were not eligible for funding in this grant.)
- \$5.9 Million in the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP) will be used to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) gear for law enforcement officers in 714 departments (every department in the state).
- \$1.7 Million in the competitive portion of the LETPP will be awarded to 69 jurisdictions.
- \$3.64 Million has been awarded to 120 Fire Departments/Districts in the Volunteer Fire Department/Fire District Competitive Grant Program

Other Homeland Security Grant Program awards:

- \$532,800 has been awarded to 56 local jurisdictions to form Citizen Corps Councils
- \$3.5 Million for Emergency Medical Services will be used to purchase personal protective equipment ensembles.
- Homeland Security Funds will also be used to support terrorism planning, training and exercises. Grant awards may be viewed at www.sema.dps.mo.gov

8 Homeland Security Regional Grant Workshops Announced

SEMA will conduct a series of 2-hour regional Homeland Security Grant workshops for each grant manager and fiscal officer. The information is on the SEMA homepage: www.sema.dps.mo.gov click on the homeland security link. The workshop will focus on the procedures required for grant reimbursements. The eight workshops are:

Area A: 10 a.m., September 23 at the Warrensburg Comfort Inn, 609 E. Russell.

Area B: 9 a.m., September 22 at the Macon Comfort Inn, 1821 N. Missouri St.

Area C: 9 a.m., September 22 at the **Washington** Fire Training Facility, 200 E. 14th St.

Area D: 9 a.m., September 21 at the **Springfield** Quality Inn, 3370 E. Battlefield Rd.

Area E: 2 p.m., September 21 at the **Jackson** Court House, City Council Chamber, 101 Court St.

Area F & I: 1 p.m., September 16 at Jefferson City SEMA in the EOC, 2302 Militia Dr.

Area G: 1 p.m., September 20 at the West Plains City Civic Center Walnut Room, 110 St. Louis St.

Area H: 1 p.m., September 21 at the Cameron Public Safety Building, 1010 West 2nd St.

Note: Citizen Corp grant information will not be covered in these meetings.

56 Citizen Corps Councils Funded with FY'04 Funds

SEMA received 77 Citizen Corps Council applications requesting more than \$1.9 Million. However, \$532,800 was allocated for Citizen Corps in the FY'04 Homeland Security grant. SEMA was able to fund 56 jurisdictions or 73% of the applicants.

Citizen Corps Councils will meet September 9 at the Capitol in conjunction with National Preparedness Month Activities. Sessions will focus on council formation and preparedness messaging.

Jurisdictions receiving funding (in alphabetical order) are: Barry/Lawrence Counties EMA, Bates County EMA, Bollinger County Health Department, City of Columbia (Boone County), Butler County Community Resource Council, Caldwell County, City of Fulton PD (Callaway County), Camden County EMA, Cape Girardeau FD (Cape Girardeau County), Christian County EMA, Clay County, North Kansas City FD (Clay County), Clinton County Health Department, City of Jefferson City (Cole County), Dade County, Dallas County, Douglas County, Dunklin County Commission, Greene County LEPC, Willard EMA (Greene County), Grundy County Health Department, Iron County Long Term Recovery Committee, Independence FD (Jackson/Clay County), Central Jackson County FPD, Kansas City Safe City Initiative (Jackson County), Joplin/Jasper County EMA, Rock Community FPD (Jefferson County), City of Festus (Jefferson County), Johnson County EMD, Laclede County OEM, Higginsville EMA (Lafavette County), Moscow Mills PD (Lincoln County), Madison County Disaster Task Force, Marion County Commission, McDonald County, Miller County, City of Diamond (Newton County), Newton County, Pemiscot County Emergency Response Team, City of Portageville (Pemiscot/New Madrid County), Perry County Health Department, City of Sedalia (Pettis County), Phelps County Disaster Committee, Platte City PD (Platte County), Platte County Sheriff's Department, Polk County, Putnam County, Reynolds County Health Center, St. Charles FD (St. Charles County), City of Black Jack (St. Louis County), St. Louis County OEM, Chesterfield PD (St. Louis County), Eureka OEM (St. Louis County), Hazelwood FD (St. Louis County), Metro West FPD (St. Louis County), and Stoddard County.

ODP Announces Firefighter Grants (Rounds 12, 13)

The Office of Domestic Preparedness announced five Missouri Fire Departments received Firefighter assistance grants.

Departments receiving grants for Firefighting Vehicles are: Morley FD (\$63,000); Tri-County Fire & Rescue in Richland (\$89,640); Vanduser FD (\$81,000).

Departments receiving grants for Operations and Firefighter Safety are: Purman Community Assn. Doniphan (\$57,456); Rolla Rural FP Assn. (\$177,750).

Missouri Sets Sept 9 Event for National Preparedness Month

September 9, Missouri will kickoff National Preparedness Month. Are you prepared for a natural or a manmade disaster? In Missouri, National Preparedness Month organizers want you and your family to: Create a family disaster plan; Build a disaster supply kit; Know where to get information; Get trained in lifesaving safety skills (CERT, CPR or First Aid); and Volunteer!

Some public and volunteer agencies featured at the September 9 event include: Columbia's CERT Team (CERT stands for Community Emergency Response Teams), Neighborhood Watch, Volunteers in Police Services/Regional Community Policing Institute, Medical Reserve Corps, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, American Red Cross, Missouri Baptist Convention, Salvation Army, SEMA, AmeriCorps, Missouri Office of Victims Assistance, FEMA's Tornado Safe Room, National Weather Service, Department of Natural Resource's Emergency Response Vehicles, Missouri Interfaith Disaster Response Organization, REACT (Amateur Ham Radio operators), Department of Mental Health Crisis Counseling, Division of Fire Safety and the Cole County Homeland Security Response Team.

SEMA Training Schedule Posted to Homepage, Class Info

SEMA posted the Initial Training Schedule on our homepage: http://sema.dps.mo.gov/trn.htm then click on the SEMA training schedule and application link. Remember to check the training site often, because new classes are always being added. According to SEMA Training Officer Jim Charrier there is a major change to the initial

logon/sign in procedure. Once you have signed on the computer program will recognize your electronic contact information and allow you to enroll for any class you wish by clicking on the class title. You will also be able to download and printout your current training emergency management transcript.

Current classes openings:

Sept. 16: WEM: Small Business Continuity Planning (4-hour class), Drury Inn, Creve Coeur.

Sept. 28: Developing & Managing Volunteers (PDS) Post Approved, Clarion Hotel, Kansas City

Oct. 5: WEM: Recovery from Disaster: The Local Government Role, Capitol Plaza, Jefferson City.

Oct. 19: ICS Basic: Law Enforcement, CEMA/St. Louis City.

Oct. 27: Incident Command System Intermediate, CEMA/St. Louis City.

Nov. 2: Emergency Planning & Special Needs Populations, Grand Plaza Hotel, Branson.

Nov. 8: Incident Command System Advanced, CEMA/St. Louis City.

Nov. 8: Principles of Emergency Management (PDS) Post Approved, Capitol Plaza, Jefferson City.

Nov. 16: Effective Communications (PDS) Post Approved, CEMA/St. Louis City.

Dec. 1: Multi-Hazard Safety Program for Schools, Drury Inn & Suites, Joplin.

Dec. 1: WEM: Small Business Continuity Planning (6 hours), Subway, Unionville.

Dec 7: Principles of Emergency Management (PDS) Post Approved, CEMA/St. Louis City.

SBA Economic Injury Loans Available for Businesses in 58 Missouri Counties

Eligible small businesses in 58 Missouri counties may apply for Economic Injury Loans from the SBA if businesses experienced a substantial loss of income as a result of the May 19-31, 2004 severe storms, tornadoes and flooding. The deadline to apply is March 11, 2005.

The disaster loan is a working capitol loan that can help a business meet installments on long-term debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred. Refinancing of long-term debt is not eligible under this loan program. Loans are available for up to \$1.5 Million for disaster related financial needs of the business with interest rates of 2.75%.

The counties are: Adair, Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barton, Bates, Benton, Boone, Buchanan, Caldwell, Camden, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Chariton, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Dade, Dallas, Daviess, De Kalb, Gentry, Greene, Grundy, Harrison, Henry, Hickory, Holt, Howard, Jackson, Johnson, Knox, Lafayette, Lewis, Linn, Livingston, Macon, Marion, Mercer, Monroe, Morgan, Nodaway, Pettis, Platte, Polk, Putnam, Ralls, Randolph, Ray, Saline, Schuyler, Scotland, Shelby, St. Clair, Sullivan, Vernon and Worth.

For an Economic Injury Loan application call the SBA at 800-366-6303.

Good Luck Rick Jordan - SEMA Area A Coordinator Vacancy

SEMA Area A Coordinator Rick Jordan will be leaving SEMA September 6. He will be taking a job with FEMA Region VII. The Area A Coordinator position will be temporarily vacant until the position is filled. In the meantime if you need assistance, please contact the SEMA office in Jefferson City. During normal business hours please contact SEMA's Planning and Disaster Recovery Branch at 573-526-9122. After business hours in the event of an emergency, call the SEMA Duty Officer at 573-751-2748.